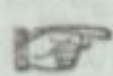


DESERET NEWS.

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 **NO ADMITTANCE**, printed on a door, signifies, literally, "NO PERMISSION TO ENTER;" and we understand, that, **NO ADMITTANCE**, printed on our printer's door, literally signifies the same, as when printed on any other door; and our friends will do themselves a great favor, if they will carry out the popular definition of, **NO ADMITTANCE**, in their acts, whereby our printer's file will not be disturbed, and valuable communications will not be mislaid, and lost to the readers of the News.

THE PARENT SCHOOL opened on Monday, Feb. 17th, in the lower room of the State House, under the direction of Chancellor Spencer, and Regent W. W. Phelps; and we are happy to say, under very favorable auspices. The school numbers about forty scholars, who cannot fail to improve under such teachers. As there is room for fifty or sixty more scholars, we would recommend ladies and gentlemen to make early application, so that they may insure themselves a seat amongst those who wish to be ornaments in our State as philosophers, statesmen, and, last not least, ministers of the gospel, &c.

The advantage of the black-board, together with every improvement which the enlightened minds of our chancellor and board of regents, together with the council of the church, could suggest, makes it a desirable object for all persons who wish to improve themselves to avail.

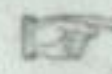
Education, when taught by correct principles, and under the supervision of those governed by the spirit of God, will lay a foundation to make men and women great, noble, and amiable, and will expand their minds so that they can be fit for any station which they may be called to occupy, and nothing will daunt them from pursuing the purposes of God and truth, but will enable them to surmount difficulties which would be hard to do without this blessing—why? Because knowledge is power; and education, taught by those who know how to teach it correctly, is knowledge and truth.

We would recommend all who wish to become teachers in the several wards, to be in attendance at this school, so that they may see and hear the right way, and go and do likewise.

THE UNIVERSITY LAND is now being fenced, and as our brethren are well aware that it is all done by donations, we would call on all who take an interest in the spread of schools, &c., to put to and help in this matter; bring in your wheat, corn, potatoes, beef, pork, &c., to help build this fence, that we

may have such a place erected as will be an ornament to our State, and will show to those who come from all parts of the world to worship God, that we WILL be great, and our children after us; for we will have all truth which can be given from books, or any other source in the world.

We received blessings when the Temple was finished, which we could not have received, if we had not completed what the Lord required of us. Well, brethren, it is requisite that the University be completed, so that we may have blessings through that medium we cannot receive, except we do what is required of us. The first thing to be done, is, to build the fence. It is now the privilege of all who wish to have an interest in the University, to bring in their means, so that this work may be completed as soon as possible. Elder Ezra T. Benson has the management of this affair, and those who wish to donate, will please give him a call.

 We recommend the Seventies in the several wards to read "Homer's" letter this week, and, if possible, improve on it, or go and do likewise.

The Seventies received a mission from their presidents to preach, teach, and exhort, in their several wards, that the spirit of God may have free access, and that it may flow like the pure streams from the fountain, uncontaminated by any thing which is not of truth.

This is as great a mission as ever the Seventies received since the church began; and let them rouse themselves, and put on the garments of righteousness, magnify their calling, show by their conversation, walk, and actions, that they are clothed with the Priesthood, and that they will fulfil this mission; by so doing they will bring honor on themselves, and the peace and blessing of God will dwell with them, and upon all those who hear their words, and upon all their habitations.

We have heard of the good feelings which exist in the ward mentioned by "Homer," and we say God speed them, and all who follow their example.

MURDER, HANGING, &c.—November 23, 1849, Professor John W. Webster murdered Dr. George Parkman, at Boston, Massachusetts, in a room of, or connected with, the medical college, as has since appeared on trial, and by Webster's confession. The parties were both of high standing, and the murder and trial have created great excitement through the eastern country. In the Boston Journal of Sept. 11, 1850, we find an account of the execution of Professor Webster, on or about the 6th of the same month. AN EASY DEATH IS REPORTED BY A BROKEN NECK, after the Rev. "Dr. Putnam, standing in the

door of the cell, had addressed the throne of grace, in a brief and impressive manner, invoking God's Holy Spirit to accept the repentance of the fellow being who was about to be sent into His presence, and beseeching that it might be sincere. He also prayed that the hope of forgiveness which the prisoner had been permitted to entertain, might be realized, and concluded his prayer by committing the prisoner to Almighty God, and beseeching that he might be numbered with the redeemed of the Lord."

While reading the above, we recollect it is written in the Saint's Bible, that the Savior taught his followers to pray to his "FATHER in the NAME of JESUS;" and not to GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT: also that "no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him." Query: how can a man be "numbered with the redeemed of the Lord," who has not "eternal life abiding in him?"

To conclude this subject, we give the following quotation from the recent address of the Secretary of State, before the General Assembly of Deseret, on constitutional law.

So long as money alone shall remain the great, grand, governing principle, and main spring to action in popular education:—"So long the education of man will be made a lucrative trade as much as the priest and the hatter, the lawyer and the tailor, the doctor, butcher, and king's jester; and the mass of people must remain in ignorance, and learn only to be rode just as the few learned have a mind to ride them; and quietly be imprisoned and hanged when the judges and priests have a mind to hang them.

But what have priests to do with hanging? Perhaps nothing directly: only to hear the culprit say his prayers, or try to pray out of existence an unpardonable sin. The profession of hangman is not very congenial to their feelings; but indirectly they may justly be held responsible. They have set themselves up as teachers of the laws of God, and the gospel; and if they have not taught the doctrine of the halter, when they have seen the nation hanging their culprits, strangling them with their blood in them, they have not stepped forward as the dignity and nature of their office required, and taught their rulers better; and when men professing to be teachers of righteousness, see their neighbors doing wrong ignorantly, and they neglect to warn them, the wrong rests upon the head of those who thus neglect; and the priests of the United States, and Christendom generally, having neglected their duty in this thing, the blood of all men who have been hanged in those nations, by legal authority, may justly be required at the hands of their priests.

What saith the great law book on this subject? When Cain killed his brother, we have no account that any law had been given against murder; but his sentence was to be a fugitive and vagabond in the midst of the earth, as a warning to others, and a mark was set upon him, by the lawgiver himself, lest any one should slay him. In process of time the law came:—"Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed." And